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U.S. BUREAU OF RECLAMATION  
REGION 1FARM POPULATION ESTIMATES  
UNITED STATES AND MAJOR GEOGRAPHIC DIVISIONS, 1940-1947  
STATES, 1940-1945

The farm population of the United States increased for the second successive year in 1946, and reached a total of 27,550,000 by January 1947, according to estimates of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. The number of people living on farms in January was 2,360,000 higher than 2 years earlier, when the farm population was the lowest it had been for many decades, but less than half of the wartime decline in farm population had been regained. The figure was 2,719,000 under the prewar level of 30,269,000 in January 1940.

Men back from armed forces.— Men returning to farms after being discharged from the armed forces made up the most important source of increase in the farm population in the last 2 years. The number of men returning directly to farms from the armed forces exceeded the number who left farms to enter the forces between January 1945 and January 1947 by 1,250,000. It is estimated that from the passage of the Selective Service Act in September 1940 up to January 1947, a total of 2,400,000 men who were living on farms just prior to enlistment or induction entered the armed forces. This figure may include some duplication because of persons who reenlisted. It should be noted that the figure does not represent the number of agricultural workers who served in the armed forces. Many of the young men entering from the farm population were working on nonfarm jobs just before induction, even though they were living on farms, and many others were in school. Also it should be noted that this entire number were never away at any one time — some came back before the others left. The largest number from the farm population were found in the armed forces in January 1945, when the total reached 1,850,000.

Up to January 1947, a total of 1,800,000 men are estimated to have gone to live on farms immediately after they were discharged from the forces. This total was obtained by adding together the arrivals reported for the preceding year in each annual survey. Not all of these men are still in the farm population, for some of them moved to cities and towns after living on farms for awhile. On the other hand, some World War II veterans not included in this estimate may have been living on farms in January 1947 — those who went elsewhere after they were discharged and who later moved to farms.

If the 1,800,000 men who went to live on farms directly from the armed forces — the great majority of these were living on farms immediately before induction or enlistment — are subtracted from the 2,400,000 men who left farms to enter the armed forces, the remainder is 600,000. This is an indication of approximately the net loss sustained by the farm population through mobilization and demobilization, up through the year 1946. Some of these men are in the armed forces now, but most of them have been demobilized. However, three out of every four farm men who went to war had returned to the farm to live by January 1947, although not all of them were still on farms at that date.

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Birth rates high.-- Next most important source of increase in the farm population was the excess of births over deaths among farm people. Natural increase accounted for 773,000 of the gain since January 1945. According to estimates, the birth rate on farms in 1946 was the highest since 1929. This was also partially a result of demobilization; birth rates rose in many countries of the world after men returned to their families from the war.

Net civilian migration not large.-- Least important of the three sources of increase was civilian migration. The net balance of moves to and from farms by civilians gave an increase of 337,000 in the farm population in the 2-year period. Actually the net civilian migration to farms was larger than this in 1945, but a small net migration from farms in 1946 offset the 1945 migration gain to some extent. As in former years, the total number of persons moving to and from farms was much greater than the net migration. More than a million people moved in each direction in 1945, and again in 1946.

The net gain in farm population through civilian migration in the year 1945 offset only 12 percent of the 5.1 million net loss that occurred between 1940 and 1945 through civilian migration.

War and postwar changes by geographic divisions.-- The general pattern of change in the farm population since 1940 has been similar in most areas to that for the country as a whole. Between 1940 and 1945, every major geographic division showed a decrease, and between 1945 and 1947, all but one -- the Mountain States -- showed an increase. But the rates of loss during the war years and the gain since the end of the war have been quite different in different parts of the country.

Wartime decreases in the farm population were heaviest in the South -- there was a reduction of 3,287,000 between 1940 and 1945. The West South Central States had the highest rate of loss. The number of people living on farms in this division was reduced by more than a fourth in the 5-year period. In the other two Southern divisions the loss was between a fifth and a sixth of the 1940 population. Since January 1945, the farm population of the South Atlantic and East South Central States have regained about three-fifths of their wartime reduction. In contrast, the West South Central States have regained less than one-third of theirs; their January 1947 farm population was 18 percent lower than in January 1940.

The North Central Divisions and the Middle Atlantic States ranked next to the South in rate of decrease in farm population during the war. In each of these northern divisions the reduction was about one-seventh, between 1940 and 1945. For the area as a whole, about one-third of the wartime decrease has been regained, resulting in a net decrease for the entire 7 years of about 10 percent.

The two western divisions had relatively small declines during the war -- 8 percent. Agriculture on the West Coast expanded. The Pacific States was the only division that had an actual increase in the number of people employed on farms between 1940 and 1945. There the postwar gain in farm population has completely offset the wartime reduction -- slightly more people were living on farms by the beginning of 1947 than at a corresponding date in 1940. In the Mountain States, the number in January 1947 was almost the same as 2 years earlier.



The New England States had very little decrease in farm population during the war and has had a marked increase since but the gain shown between 1945 and 1947 should be interpreted with caution. It may reflect largely a movement out of crowded cities of persons who keep their city jobs but live on units in the open country that meet the rules for classification as farms. Moreover, the estimates are less reliable for the smaller geographic divisions than for the larger (see the following note on method).

#### Note on Revisions and Method of Deriving Estimates

Revisions.- For the United States, the estimates shown in table 1 of changes in the year 1945 and of the farm population level for January 1946 have been revised on the basis of improved data and the revised estimates supersede those issued in Farm Population Estimates, United States and Major Geographic Divisions, 1910-1946, Bureau of Agricultural Economics, June 1946. The United States estimates for January 1945 and all prior dates have not been revised.

For the 9 major geographic divisions, all estimates for dates after January 1940 have been revised and the revised estimates supersede those issued in table 5 of the report cited above. It should be noted that the estimates for 1920-40 contained in table 6 of that report have not been revised. Estimates for these earlier years are not repeated in this report.

As estimates by States for the years 1920-40 have not been revised, they are the same as those issued in a release called Annual Estimates of the Farm Population, by States, 1920-1940, Bureau of Agricultural Economics, February 1944. Estimates for the years 1941-45 are new and have not been published before.

Method.- The estimates contained in this report are based on bench-mark data from the Censuses of Population and Agriculture, current enumerative sample surveys, and mailed questionnaires returned by farmers. For January 1944 and later dates the estimates are adjusted to the level of farm population of the United States, as estimated jointly by the Bureau of the Census and the Bureau of Agricultural Economics on the basis of enumerative surveys and published in the Census-BAE series. For January 1945, the geographic distribution of the farm population is based on the returns from the 1945 Census of Agriculture, adjusted to the total level of farm population shown in the Census-BAE series. A discussion of the comparability of the farm population data from the 1945 Census of Agriculture with the current estimates may be found in Census-BAE No. 9. Utilization of the new 1945 Census bench-mark data was the basis for revision of the geographic-division estimates for the years 1941-45.

For January 1947, the geographic distribution of the farm population is based on the BAE January 1947 Survey of Agriculture, adjusted to the total level of farm population shown in the Census-BAE series. All other estimates of the farm population of major geographic divisions are interpolations on the basis of mailed questionnaire returns between the 1940, 1945, 1947 estimates. Also, all estimates of moves to and from farms and other kinds of changes in the farm population are based on mailed questionnaire returns adjusted to the population totals.

Table 1.-Annual estimates of the farm population, births and deaths occurring in the farm population, and number of persons moving to and from farms, United States, 1940-47

Year	Farm : : popu- : lation : on : January 1: (000)	Change through			Change through migration										
		natural increase		Deaths : : : : : (000)	Civilian migration		Military migration								
		Total : : : (000)	Births : : : (000)		Total : : : (000)	L/ : : : (000)	To : : : (000)	From : : : (000)	Total : : : (000)	armed : : : (000)	forces: : : (000)				
												farms : : : (000)	farms : : : (000)	farms : : : (000)	armed : : : (000)
1947	27,550														
1946	26,850	419	674	-255	281	-266	1,077	-1,343	547	-159	706				
1945	25,190	354	604	-250	1,306	603	1,684	-1,081	703	-191	894				
1944	25,521	345	591	-246	-676	-476	817	-1,293	-200	-300	100				
1943	26,659	355	610	-255	-1,493	-988	994	-1,982	-505	-605	100				
1942	29,048	390	660	-270	-2,779	-1,920	819	-2,739	-859	-859	-				
1941	29,988	417	702	-285	-1,357	-1,146	814	-1,960	-211	-211	-				
1940	30,269	400	696	-296	-681	-606	690	-1,296	-75	-75	-				

L/ Including persons who have not moved but who are no longer in the farm population because agricultural operations have ceased on the place where they are living.

Note: See page 3 for note on revisions and method of deriving estimates.



Table 2.- World War II and early postwar changes in the farm population,  
United States and major geographic divisions, 1940-47

Area	January 1947		January 1945		January 1940		Change 1940-45		Change 1945-47		Change 1940-47	
	(000)		(000)		(000)		(000)	(Percent)	(000)	(Percent)	(000)	(Percent)
United States	27,550		25,190		30,269		-5,079	-16.8	2,360	9.4	-2,719	-8.9
New England	753		604		617		-13	-2.1	149	24.7	136	22.0
Middle Atlantic	1,623		1,543		1,772		-229	-12.9	80	5.2	-149	-8.4
East North Central	4,077		3,886		4,589		-703	-15.3	191	4.9	-512	-11.2
West North Central	4,258		4,016		4,676		-660	-14.1	242	6.0	-418	-8.9
South Atlantic	5,671		5,011		6,025		-1,014	-16.8	660	13.2	-354	-5.9
East South Central	4,777		4,250		5,238		-988	-18.9	527	12.4	-461	-8.8
West South Central	4,128		3,723		5,008		-1,285	-25.7	405	10.9	-880	-17.6
Mountain	1,011		1,016		1,102		-86	-7.8	-5	-0.5	-91	-8.3
Pacific	1,252		1,141		1,242		-101	-8.1	111	9.7	10	0.8

Note: See page 3 for note on revisions and method of deriving estimates.

Table 3.- Annual estimates of the farm population, births and deaths occurring in the farm population, and number of persons moving to and from farms for geographic divisions, 1940-47

Area and year	Change through				Change through			:Change :through :farm-to- :farm :movement 3/
	: natural increase				: migration			
	: Farm	:	:	:	:	:	:	
	:population:	:	:	:	: To	: From	:farm-to-	
: on	:Total:	:Births:	:Deaths:	: Total	: farms	: farms	:farm	
:January 1	:	:	:	: 1/ 2/	: 2/	: 1/	:movement 3/	
	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)
<u>New England</u>								
1947	753							
1946	709	8	15	-7	37	76	-39	-1
1945	604	6	13	-7	100	140	-40	-1
1944	603	4	12	-8	-1	28	-29	-2
1943	607	7	13	-6	-9	59	-68	-2
1942	614	4	11	-7	-9	57	-66	-2
1941	616	5	12	-7	-6	32	-38	-1
1940 4/	617	3	11	-8	-2	29	-31	-2
<u>Middle Atlantic</u>								
1947	1,623							
1946	1,599	19	37	-18	-5	90	-95	10
1945	1,543	12	31	-19	35	109	-74	9
1944	1,539	13	32	-19	-17	66	-83	8
1943	1,590	14	32	-18	-71	68	-139	6
1942	1,719	14	33	-19	-141	42	-183	-2
1941	1,767	13	32	-19	-64	52	-116	3
1940 4/	1,772	12	32	-20	-30	50	-80	13
<u>East North Central</u>								
1947	4,077							
1946	4,020	48	93	-45	0	258	-258	9
1945	3,886	41	81	-40	70	274	-204	23
1944	3,844	40	80	-40	-23	181	-204	25
1943	4,026	29	75	-46	-233	148	-381	22
1942	4,431	35	83	-48	-467	117	-584	27
1941	4,569	41	85	-44	-207	123	-330	28
1940 4/	4,589	38	84	-46	-88	127	-215	30
<u>West North Central</u>								
1947	4,258							
1946	4,187	71	106	-35	-5	264	-269	5
1945	4,016	59	93	-34	97	313	-216	15
1944	4,087	60	95	-35	-145	128	-273	14
1943	4,234	61	94	-33	-222	152	-374	14
1942	4,532	60	99	-39	-369	110	-479	11
1941	4,641	59	95	-36	-195	118	-313	27
1940 4/	4,676	53	89	-36	-98	94	-192	10
<u>South Atlantic</u>								
1947	5,671							
1946	5,475	104	153	-49	128	321	-193	-36
1945	5,011	88	139	-51	427	631	-204	-51
1944	5,115	78	127	-49	-135	119	-254	-47
1943	5,334	79	129	-50	-237	142	-379	-61
1942	5,808	99	150	-51	-527	90	-617	-46
1941	5,984	108	168	-60	-253	114	-367	-31
1940 4/	6,025	102	166	-64	-132	100	-232	-11

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Table 3.- Annual estimates of the farm population, births and deaths occurring in the farm population, and number of persons moving to and from farms for geographic divisions, 1940-47 (Continued)

Area and year	:	:	Change through			Change through		:
	:	:	natural increase			migration		:Change
	:	Farm	:	:	:	:	:	:through
	:	population:	:	:	:	To	From	:farm-to-
:	on	Total:	Births:	Deaths:	Total	farms	farms	:farm
:	January 1	:	:	:	1/ 2/	2/	1/	:movement 3/
	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)
<u>East South Central</u>								
1947	4,777							
1946	4,621	72	116	-44	94	297	-203	-10
1945	4,250	65	106	-41	335	487	-152	-29
1944	4,330	66	107	-41	-129	119	-248	-17
1943	4,553	74	117	-43	-292	121	-413	-5
1942	4,970	79	123	-44	-493	88	-581	-3
1941	5,173	91	143	-52	-284	89	-373	-10
1940 4/	5,238	91	143	-52	-138	83	-221	-18
<u>West South Central</u>								
1947	4,128							
1946	4,008	68	105	-37	44	308	-264	8
1945	3,723	57	96	-39	215	454	-239	13
1944	3,858	55	92	-37	-200	123	-323	10
1943	4,158	69	107	-38	-379	177	-556	10
1942	4,693	75	116	-41	-602	119	-721	-8
1941	4,911	75	120	-45	-265	132	-397	-28
1940 4/	5,008	78	124	-46	-145	108	-253	-30
<u>Mountain</u>								
1947	1,011							
1946	1,012	17	26	-9	-27	57	-84	9
1945	1,016	14	24	-10	-28	44	-72	10
1944	1,022	15	24	-9	-26	71	-97	5
1943	1,030	13	22	-9	-26	108	-134	5
1942	1,077	14	24	-10	-73	100	-173	12
1941	1,099	16	26	-10	-48	77	-125	10
1940 4/	1,102	15	26	-11	-28	41	-69	10
<u>Pacific</u>								
1947	1,252							
1946	1,219	12	23	-11	15	112	-97	6
1945	1,141	12	21	-9	55	126	-71	11
1944	1,123	14	22	-8	0	82	-82	4
1943	1,127	9	21	-12	-24	119	-143	11
1942	1,204	10	21	-11	-98	96	-194	11
1941	1,228	9	21	-12	-35	77	-112	2
1940 4/	1,242	8	21	-13	-20	58	-78	-2

1/ Includes persons who entered the armed forces.

2/ Includes persons who returned from the armed forces.

3/ The net movement of persons from farms in one geographic division to farms in other divisions.

4/ Farm population January 1, adjusted on the basis of Census enumeration of April 1.

Note: See page 3 for note on revisions and method of deriving estimates.

Table 4.- Annual estimates of the farm population by States, January 1 dates 1920-45 1/

Division and State	1920	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928
	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)
UNITED STATES	31,614	31,763	31,749	31,130	30,817	30,830	30,619	30,170	30,188
<u>New England</u>	626	629	623	608	604	610	604	589	586
Maine	198	197	195	189	187	188	185	179	177
New Hampshire	76	76	74	72	71	71	69	66	66
Vermont	125	126	124	121	120	121	119	117	116
Massachusetts	119	121	121	120	120	123	124	122	123
Rhode Island	15	15	16	15	16	16	16	16	16
Connecticut	93	94	93	91	90	91	91	89	88
<u>Middle Atlantic</u>	1,893	1,912	1,891	1,852	1,825	1,807	1,791	1,748	1,731
New York	801	809	800	782	770	763	755	737	729
New Jersey	144	145	144	141	139	137	137	134	133
Pennsylvania	948	958	947	929	916	907	899	877	869
<u>East North Central</u>	4,914	4,826	4,698	4,621	4,587	4,598	4,550	4,477	4,487
Ohio	1,140	1,115	1,085	1,063	1,055	1,051	1,037	1,021	1,018
Indiana	907	893	864	850	839	841	833	815	817
Illinois	1,098	1,076	1,048	1,031	1,023	1,024	1,015	998	1,001
Michigan	849	835	813	799	794	800	792	779	781
Wisconsin	920	907	888	878	876	882	873	864	870
<u>West North Central</u>	5,171	5,226	5,223	5,163	5,133	5,134	5,098	5,055	5,019
Minnesota	897	909	915	903	898	902	897	890	883
Iowa	985	993	999	985	981	984	979	971	962
Missouri	1,211	1,218	1,208	1,186	1,170	1,164	1,152	1,134	1,118
North Dakota	395	397	397	397	395	394	393	390	391
South Dakota	362	371	371	371	375	378	377	380	381
Nebraska	584	591	591	588	585	584	581	577	577
Kansas	737	747	742	733	729	728	719	713	707
<u>South Atlantic</u>	6,417	6,471	6,474	6,242	6,125	6,136	6,013	5,880	5,910
Delaware	51	51	52	50	49	49	48	47	47
Maryland	280	284	279	269	257	258	253	241	242
Virginia	1,065	1,074	1,068	1,025	1,005	1,007	980	953	958
West Virginia	478	478	479	469	459	460	451	441	449
North Carolina	1,501	1,539	1,560	1,531	1,525	1,546	1,539	1,529	1,560
South Carolina	1,075	1,074	1,068	1,018	992	988	962	935	928
Georgia	1,685	1,687	1,677	1,599	1,556	1,546	1,503	1,458	1,448
Florida	282	284	291	281	282	282	277	276	278
<u>East South Central</u>	5,183	5,239	5,227	5,135	5,088	5,089	5,057	4,979	4,992
Kentucky	1,305	1,311	1,296	1,262	1,240	1,231	1,208	1,180	1,173
Tennessee	1,272	1,279	1,275	1,246	1,235	1,231	1,224	1,200	1,202
Alabama	1,336	1,353	1,354	1,334	1,322	1,324	1,320	1,304	1,306
Mississippi	1,270	1,296	1,302	1,293	1,291	1,303	1,305	1,295	1,311
<u>West South Central</u>	5,228	5,270	5,392	5,338	5,305	5,302	5,343	5,245	5,243
Arkansas	1,147	1,147	1,171	1,153	1,142	1,135	1,142	1,117	1,110
Louisiana	786	795	815	811	807	811	822	808	812
Oklahoma	1,017	1,027	1,047	1,036	1,030	1,029	1,030	1,012	1,010
Texas	2,278	2,301	2,359	2,338	2,326	2,327	2,349	2,308	2,311
<u>Mountain</u>	1,168	1,152	1,155	1,124	1,109	1,108	1,100	1,109	1,112
Montana	226	221	220	212	208	207	204	204	203
Idaho	201	197	198	191	189	187	185	186	186
Wyoming	67	68	68	68	67	68	68	69	70
Colorado	266	265	268	263	262	264	265	269	272
New Mexico	161	159	160	155	153	153	153	154	155
Arizona	91	90	91	90	90	91	90	92	93
Utah	140	136	134	129	125	123	120	119	118
Nevada	16	16	16	16	15	15	15	16	15
<u>Pacific</u>	1,014	1,038	1,066	1,047	1,041	1,046	1,063	1,088	1,108
Washington	283	289	294	288	284	285	288	293	297
Oregon	214	217	222	216	214	212	214	217	219
California	517	532	550	543	543	549	561	578	592

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Table 4.- Annual estimates of the farm population by States, January 1 dates 1920-45 1/ (Continued)

Division and State	1929	1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937
	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)
UNITED STATES	30,220	30,169	30,485	31,028	32,033	31,945	31,801	31,377	30,906
<u>New England</u>	583	568	605	640	691	712	711	675	649
Maine	175	170	176	181	191	191	185	179	175
New Hampshire	64	62	66	69	74	76	76	73	71
Vermont	115	112	116	120	126	126	122	116	112
Massachusetts	124	122	132	141	154	161	163	156	150
Rhode Island	16	16	17	19	21	22	22	20	19
Connecticut	89	86	98	110	125	136	143	131	122
<u>Middle Atlantic</u>	1,714	1,692	1,768	1,815	1,931	1,930	1,904	1,845	1,807
New York	722	713	741	757	803	799	785	758	741
New Jersey	132	130	136	140	147	147	144	142	141
Pennsylvania	860	849	891	918	981	984	975	945	925
<u>East North Central</u>	4,429	4,442	4,516	4,608	4,829	4,813	4,769	4,732	4,663
Ohio	1,004	1,003	1,030	1,060	1,120	1,126	1,127	1,118	1,100
Indiana	806	804	817	830	869	861	853	843	829
Illinois	986	989	998	1,009	1,053	1,040	1,018	1,009	992
Michigan	770	774	786	806	845	847	840	843	843
Wisconsin	863	872	885	903	942	939	931	919	899
<u>West North Central</u>	5,034	5,030	5,007	5,088	5,167	5,158	5,109	5,005	4,866
Minnesota	891	889	891	911	930	934	928	923	910
Iowa	971	971	961	972	987	980	968	958	934
Missouri	1,112	1,106	1,112	1,145	1,173	1,186	1,184	1,163	1,144
North Dakota	393	394	386	392	393	392	386	371	355
South Dakota	383	387	380	376	377	366	358	346	331
Nebraska	579	581	576	585	589	588	581	562	540
Kansas	705	702	701	707	718	712	704	682	652
<u>South Atlantic</u>	5,900	5,864	5,935	6,004	6,196	6,187	6,204	6,207	6,160
Delaware	47	46	47	48	50	50	49	50	49
Maryland	236	236	237	240	242	241	242	242	240
Virginia	956	945	967	991	1,028	1,040	1,053	1,048	1,029
West Virginia	448	447	468	492	520	539	562	558	548
North Carolina	1,575	1,591	1,595	1,603	1,648	1,635	1,624	1,637	1,645
South Carolina	921	911	919	925	954	948	948	949	936
Georgia	1,434	1,410	1,412	1,411	1,444	1,424	1,406	1,407	1,399
Florida	283	278	290	294	310	310	320	316	314
<u>East South Central</u>	5,027	5,052	5,103	5,178	5,314	5,304	5,335	5,291	5,276
Kentucky	1,171	1,167	1,194	1,227	1,270	1,284	1,308	1,291	1,282
Tennessee	1,207	1,205	1,225	1,248	1,291	1,294	1,308	1,291	1,282
Alabama	1,317	1,329	1,337	1,357	1,387	1,384	1,386	1,370	1,361
Mississippi	1,332	1,351	1,347	1,346	1,366	1,342	1,333	1,339	1,351
<u>West South Central</u>	5,290	5,275	5,262	5,341	5,463	5,416	5,388	5,281	5,160
Arkansas	1,118	1,109	1,116	1,143	1,175	1,175	1,180	1,157	1,130
Louisiana	820	822	826	839	863	856	859	850	841
Oklahoma	1,017	1,014	1,005	1,020	1,038	1,029	1,016	993	965
Texas	2,335	2,330	2,315	2,339	2,387	2,356	2,333	2,281	2,224
<u>Mountain</u>	1,130	1,122	1,147	1,191	1,214	1,208	1,188	1,154	1,123
Montana	205	202	203	207	206	202	195	188	182
Idaho	189	186	190	199	203	203	199	197	194
Wyoming	71	72	73	76	77	76	75	73	72
Colorado	279	279	282	289	290	284	276	266	258
New Mexico	157	156	164	175	185	188	190	185	180
Arizona	96	97	99	101	103	102	100	101	102
Utah	117	114	120	128	134	137	138	129	120
Nevada	16	16	16	16	16	16	15	15	15
<u>Pacific</u>	1,113	1,124	1,142	1,163	1,228	1,217	1,193	1,187	1,202
Washington	296	298	306	316	338	340	336	331	332
Oregon	219	219	226	233	249	249	248	246	248
California	598	607	610	614	641	628	609	610	622

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Table 4.- Annual estimates of the farm population by States, January 1 dates 1920-45 1/ (Continued)

Division and State	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945
	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)	(000)
UNITED STATES	30,620	30,480	30,269	29,988	29,048	26,659	25,521	25,190
<u>New England</u>	641	624	617	616	614	607	603	604
Maine	176	173	175	175	174	170	170	169
New Hampshire	71	70	70	70	69	65	69	70
Vermont	110	107	105	106	106	103	101	101
Massachusetts	150	147	146	147	149	151	154	151
Rhode Island	18	18	17	16	16	16	16	16
Connecticut	116	109	104	102	100	102	93	97
<u>Middle Atlantic</u>	1,791	1,790	1,772	1,767	1,719	1,590	1,539	1,543
New York	734	732	724	719	698	654	635	635
New Jersey	140	141	142	141	139	128	121	122
Pennsylvania	917	917	906	907	882	808	783	786
<u>East North Central</u>	4,611	4,603	4,589	4,569	4,431	4,026	3,844	3,886
Ohio	1,085	1,081	1,077	1,080	1,057	950	900	905
Indiana	817	814	808	808	780	713	681	701
Illinois	978	975	968	964	935	856	805	808
Michigan	845	855	862	848	823	723	689	704
Wisconsin	886	878	874	869	836	784	769	768
<u>West North Central</u>	4,716	4,684	4,676	4,641	4,532	4,234	4,087	4,016
Minnesota	891	899	908	903	884	828	793	774
Iowa	915	913	924	921	907	862	843	842
Missouri	1,113	1,113	1,117	1,117	1,087	994	942	907
North Dakota	340	332	325	319	314	290	285	285
South Dakota	316	309	305	304	297	281	268	268
Nebraska	514	505	495	484	464	445	437	429
Kansas	627	613	602	593	579	534	519	511
<u>South Atlantic</u>	6,145	6,096	6,025	5,984	5,808	5,334	5,115	5,011
Delaware	49	49	46	45	45	45	42	41
Maryland	246	244	244	242	233	216	211	208
Virginia	1,020	1,001	981	964	946	881	868	857
West Virginia	547	537	530	525	517	475	455	456
North Carolina	1,653	1,660	1,650	1,622	1,579	1,455	1,410	1,391
South Carolina	934	921	911	924	885	790	734	723
Georgia	1,389	1,379	1,360	1,353	1,310	1,217	1,140	1,076
Florida	307	305	303	309	293	255	255	259
<u>East South Central</u>	5,283	5,293	5,238	5,173	4,970	4,553	4,330	4,250
Kentucky	1,273	1,270	1,250	1,229	1,159	1,057	1,032	1,034
Tennessee	1,284	1,281	1,265	1,249	1,199	1,110	1,045	1,043
Alabama	1,352	1,350	1,332	1,302	1,246	1,119	1,058	1,059
Mississippi	1,374	1,392	1,391	1,393	1,366	1,267	1,195	1,114
<u>West South Central</u>	5,114	5,066	5,008	4,911	4,693	4,158	3,858	3,723
Arkansas	1,125	1,115	1,102	1,067	1,049	960	843	836
Louisiana	844	846	846	839	798	719	671	632
Oklahoma	951	937	921	898	857	771	710	678
Texas	2,194	2,168	2,139	2,107	1,989	1,708	1,634	1,577
<u>Mountain</u>	1,101	1,102	1,102	1,099	1,077	1,030	1,022	1,016
Montana	176	175	174	167	157	149	147	143
Idaho	194	196	200	199	194	184	180	181
Wyoming	71	72	72	72	71	68	67	66
Colorado	251	250	249	253	245	214	213	211
New Mexico	176	177	176	178	170	163	161	158
Arizona	105	108	113	114	113	125	127	129
Utah	113	108	103	104	106	113	113	113
Nevada	15	16	15	12	21	14	14	15
<u>Pacific</u>	1,218	1,222	1,242	1,228	1,204	1,127	1,123	1,141
Washington	333	331	333	333	330	309	305	308
Oregon	251	251	253	251	248	237	234	236
California	634	640	656	644	626	581	584	597

1/ Estimates for years 1920-40 identical with those published in "Annual Estimates of the Farm Population, by States, 1920-40," Bureau of Agricultural Economics, February 1944. Estimates for years 1941-45 based on revised estimates for major geographic divisions. For note on method, see page 3.





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